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MEMORANDUM

TO: Local and Intermediate School District Superintendents and Curriculum Directors

FROM: Sally Vaughn, Ph.D. *Sally*
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SUBJECT: Collection of Personal Curriculum Data Element

The Michigan Department of Education (MDE), in coordination with the Center for Educational Performance and Information (CEPI), will be initiating changes in the Single Record Student Database (SRSD) to allow Local Education Agencies (LEAs) to submit personal curriculum data. This memo is intended to alert districts of the reporting procedures for school years 2008-2009 and 2009-2010.

Section 380.1278b of the Revised School Code requires the Michigan Department of Education to submit an annual report to the State Legislature documenting the impact of the Michigan Merit Curriculum (MMC) on pupil success. Because of this requirement, information regarding personal curriculum will be collected in the SRSD so that MDE can evaluate and report on the usage of modifications to the MMC. District personnel will be expected to report on personal curriculum usage in the end-of-year collection.

Changes for 2008-2009

- Data will be collected in the end-of-year (EOY) SRSD submission.
- All public school districts and public school academies enrolling students in grades 9 through 12 will report the number of students who received a personal curriculum in the 2008-2009 school year.

Changes for 2009-2010

- Data will be collected in the Michigan Student Data System (MSDS).
- Public school districts and public school academies will be expected to report the following:
 - Students who received a personal curriculum modification,
 - Type of student modification (IEP, transfer student, general education – modified or enhanced),
 - Content area(s) modified.

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Please look for more information on how to report this data in the *"SRSD End of Year 2009 Data Field Descriptions,"* expected to be available in early 2009.

If you have questions about the Michigan Merit Curriculum or personal curriculum, please contact the Office of School Improvement at headm1@michigan.gov or 517-373-1342. If you have questions about the SRSD, please contact CEPI customer support at cepi@michigan.gov or 517-335-0505.